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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ENRG, EG, OVIP (SULTAN, AHMAD)
SUBJECT: POSSIBLE TRIP TO U.S. BY DEPPRIMIN SULTAN

1. MAHER ABAZA, UNDERSECRETARY MINELECTRICITY AND ENERGY,
TOLD AMBASSADOR JUNE 29 THAT BOTH HE AND DEPPRIMIN
AND MINELECTRICITY SULTAN ARE ENCOURAGED BY RECENT
RIBICOFF/BAKER ENDORSEMENT OF EGYPTIAN NUCLEAR COOPERATION
AGREEMENT. ABAZA SAID HE SPEAKING FOR SULTAN IN EXPRESSING
HOPE FOR QUICK PROGRESS ON ACCORD.

2. IN THIS CONNECTION ABAZA INFORMED AMBASSADOR THAT
AHMAD SULTAN, DEPPRIMIN FOR PRODUCTION AND MINELECTRICITY
AND ENERGY, HAS ACCEPTED INVITATION TO VISIT CANADA FROM
SEPTEMBER 9 TO 12, 1977. ABAZA NOTED THIS VISIT WOULD
SEEM TO PRESENT EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR SULTAN TO MAKE
OFFICIAL VISIT TO U.S. IF, OF COURSE, HE WERE TO BE
INVITED. VISIT COULD TAKE PLACE EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER
CANADIAN TRIP.

3. WE AGREE THAT SULTAN VISIT TO U.S., GIVEN HEAVY
INVOLVEMENT OF HIS MINISTRY IN AID PROGRAM, WOULD
BE BOTH USEFUL AND DESIRABLE. OUR ONLY RESERVATION
IS IN FIELD OF NUCLEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENT. UNDOUBTEDLY
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ONE OF SULTAN'S PURPOSES IN WANTING TO GO TO US IS TO
HEAR FIRST-HAND STATUS REPORT ON SUBJECT. ASSUMING
DEPARTMENT WILL BE IN POSITION TO PROVIDE BRIEFING ON
AGREEMENT, WE RECOMMEND THAT AMBASSADOR BE AUTHORIZED
TO INVITE SULTAN FOR TWO OR THREE DAYS OFFICIAL VISIT,
POSSIBLY WITH AID DIRECTOR GILLIGAN AS HOST.
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